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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE LATEST AIR RAID.

A German Account.

London, February 19.
A wireless German official message says that aviators last night bombed London, Dover, Dunkirk and fighting forces on the north coast of France.

Only One Machine Reaches London.

London, February 19.
An official message says that six aeroplanes approached the mouth of the Thames at 9.45 last night and carried out an attack on London. All were turned back except one, which penetrated to the capital and dropped a bomb on the South-West district at ten o'clock, demolishing a house and burying an invalid officer, his wife and two children. The raider had previously dropped other bombs on the eastern outskirts. The casualties and damage are not serious. An attack on Dover at 10.45 was driven off. Bombs were dropped in the open country. Several pilots engaged a large enemy machine which crashed into the sea. The casualties and damage due to the raid are apparently light.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

Successful British Patrols.

London, February 19.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports that patrols took a few prisoners north-east of Hargicourt. Hostile artillery is active in the neighbourhood of Passchendaele.

Enemy Surprise Attack Fails.

London, February 19.
A French communique states:—There has been fairly considerable reciprocal artillery fighting in the night in the region of Chavignon, east of Rheims and in Champagne. An enemy surprise attack east of Aubervie was without result.

Enemy Raiders Repulsed.

London, February 19.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in a communique states: The enemy raided this morning the post west of La Bassée. Three of our men are missing. We repulsed raiders at Poelcapelle. There is hostile artillery fighting in the St. Quentin, Lens and Armentieres sectors, also north-east of Ypres.

Successful British Air Raids.

London, February 19.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on Aviation says:—Our aeroplanes yesterday bombed and machine-gunned billets, railway stations and troops. We dropped over five and-a-half tons of bombs on different targets. Fourteen hostile machines were brought down, seven were driven down and anti-aircraft guns shot down two, one being a large bomber with four occupants who were taken prisoner. Another was driven down uncontrollably near one of the aerodromes. Five of our machines are missing. Last night we dropped four hundred bombs on aerodromes in the neighbourhood of Ghent, Tournai and Leuven. We also bombed, at a low height, Conflans Railway station and siding. Barrage of flame were observed on the latter. All our machines returned.

AMERICA'S PREPARATIONS GOING AHEAD.

London, February 19.
Reuter's correspondent at New York says that the Garfield Fuel Administration states that, owing to the five-days industrial suspension in January and subsequent hostilities Monday, only a normal number of ships are now in American ports. The flow of supplies to the American Expeditionary Forces and Allies has been re-established, and the railways have been cleared for the shipment of essential war materials.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT SUPPORTED.

London, February 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo says that in the House of Representatives a motion of "No-confidence" in the Government was defeated by 241 votes against 117.

PLAGUE IN NORTH CHINA SPREADING.

London, February 19.
A Peking telegram states that the plague is spreading. It has appeared near Pao-tung Fu and is threatening Peking and Tientsin. The mortality is enormous.

THE UKRAINE PEACE.

London, February 19.
The first Austro-German transports over the so-called bread peace in Ukraine are fast diminishing through the uncoordinated hostility of the Poles and all parties, including the Austro-German parties to the alienation of Cholm and especially the attitude of the Bolsheviks towards Ukraine. The R.R. has already taken refuge at Zhitomir to escape the power of the Bolsheviks, who continue to increase in number to a strength which threatens to overrun Ukraine, and they certainly will not permit the export of grain on which the Austro-Germans are confidently reckoning. The Germans are now confronted with the prospect of fighting the Bolsheviks, who are believed to be collecting a big army. Germany is much perturbed at the capture of Germans and pro-German Estonians, rivals who the Bolsheviks regard as hostages and have already threatened to massacre. Germany is now threatening reprisals. Austria has intimated that she will not employ troops against Russia which is no longer her neighbour, but is ready to assist Germany with technical material.

Poles to Organise a Strike.

London, February 18.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Zurich a Lombard telegram states that a great demonstration took place on February 14 and was attended by the united Polish parties. It was decided to organise a strike in all the public offices, institutions, schools and factories as a protest against the new Ukraine frontiers.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

RUMANIA AND PEACE.

Proposal for Armistice with Russia.

London, February 18.
A Russian wireless official message states that delegates from the Rumanian General Staff have arrived in Petrograd with a proposal for an armistice and with the object of considering peace proposals. The proposal has been agreed to, subject to the suspension of attacks during the armistice. The message admits that the essentials of the Rumanian delegates are doubtful.

Intended Negotiations with the Central Powers.

London, February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that the *Handelsblad* learns from Vienna that Rumania intends to negotiate with the Central Powers, provided the Central Powers will give a previous assurance not to secede the sovereignty of Rumania and leave the solution of the dynastic question to the Rumanians themselves. Rumania will then declare its readiness to cede the Dobruja to Bulgaria, provided the Central Powers benevolently support Rumania in the Bessarabian question. M. Averescu's cabinet is not yet formed, but it is stated that the first point in his programme is peace by agreement with the Central Powers.

German Period of Grace Extended.

London, February 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Basle says that Germany has extended to February 22, the period given to Rumania to reply to the ultimatum demanding peace negotiations.

GERMAN-RUSSO ARMISTICE TO END.

Germany Reserves a Free Hand.

London, February 17.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that Germany announces that, owing to the conduct of the Petrograd Government, the armistice will be regarded as annulled from February 10. Accordingly, after the lapse of the week's notice of the termination of the armistice provided under the treaty, Germany reserves a free hand in every direction.

M. Trotsky Claims Seven Days' Notice.

London, February 18.
A Russian Wireless official message states that M. Trotsky has asked the German Government for information concerning the message from General Hoffmann and Samoilin in which they state that war will be resumed at mid-day on Monday. Trotsky claims seven days notice before a resumption of hostilities.

CHAOS IN PETROGRAD.

Shooting and Pillaging.

London, February 17.
There have been no telegrams from Petrograd since February 6 until to-day when messages dated February 7 and 8 have arrived. These reveal that there is a most chaotic situation in Petrograd itself, where indiscriminate shooting in the streets, pillaging, and lynching by desperadoes are prevalent. It transpires that the officers of the conspiracy to capture M. Lenin and hold him as a hostage have been discovered. The Bolsheviks claim to have captured the town of Simferopol, in the Crimea, after routing the Tartars, and they also claim to have defeated the Ukrainians at Niklaief. On the other hand it is reported that General Alexieff has defeated the Bolsheviks near Voronezh, while the Ukrainians claim the gaining of the upper hand at Kiev.

Twelve Hours' Sanguinary Fighting.

London, February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that the White Guards have occupied Tammerfors after twelve hours' sanguinary fighting. Massacre of 1,500 Workmen.

London, February 18.
Reuter's correspondent says that a belated Kiev telegram shows that the White Guards with the junkers, after defeating the Red Guards at Petchersk massacred fifteen hundred workmen and also all the members of the Revolutionary Military Committee.

EDITOR OF THE "WORLD" FINED.

London, February 19.
Mr. Fenton de Wend-Fenton, editor of the *World*, has been fined a \$100 for publishing an article which referred to Col. Repington's article in the *Morning Post*, also for publishing the confidential warning to newspapers with regard to the Versailles Conference.

AMERICAN LABOUR'S DECLARATION.

London, February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the American Federation of Labour has adopted a declaration that this is Labour's war which Labour must win and that every state fighting for final victory must count for humanity. It urges the Russian workers to make common cause with those of America, Britain, France and Italy.

YET ANOTHER AIR RAID ON LONDON.

London, February 19.
The Press Bureau announces that hostile aeroplanes crossed the Thames Estuary at 10 o'clock last evening and proceeded towards London. Some bombs were dropped on London. The raid is still in progress.

FORMER M. P. SENTENCED.

London, February 19.
Mr. Arnold Lupton, formerly a Member of Parliament, has been sentenced to six months imprisonment for circulating a pacifist leaflet. The printer of the leaflet has been fined £20.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S HEALTH.

London, February 19.
Mr. Lloyd George, though indisposed is working incessantly. He went to the country on Friday, but was recalled yesterday on urgent business.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

GEN. SIR WM. ROBERTSON'S RESIGNATION.

Retirement of other Officers Expected.

London, February 19.
The *Sunday Times* and *National News* state that they have been informed by General Sir William Robertson that he has not resigned. General Robertson told a *Sunday Times* reporter last night "It is quite true that I will not accept either position." The political correspondent of the *Sunday Times* says that General Robertson considers he is dismissed. The correspondent adds that his resignation was offered and declined by General Sir Herbert Plumer before it was given to General Sir Henry Wilson and it is anticipated that other officers will follow the retirement of General Robertson, but it is not expected that the defection of the Generals will wreck the Government because there is a great sympathy in the House of Commons regarding the attitude of soldiers.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

WHY GENERAL SIR WM. ROBERTSON RESIGNED.

London, February 16.
The Press Bureau says: The extension of the functions of the Permanent Military Representative decided on at last meeting of the War Council at Versailles necessitated the limitation of the special powers hitherto exercised by the Chief of the Imperial General Staff. The Government therefore thought it right to offer General Sir William Robertson a choice of becoming the British Military Representative on the War Council at Versailles or continuing to be Chief of the General Staff under the new conditions.

Sir William Robertson, for reasons which the Prime Minister will explain in the House of Commons early next week, was unable to accept either position and the Government regretfully accepted his resignation.

General Sir Henry Wilson has accepted the position of Chief of General Staff and the appointment of the British Representative at Versailles will be announced shortly.

ANOTHER GERMAN LIE NAILED.

London, February 16.
A correspondent of the "Morning Post" says: As German agents in Moslem countries for many years have maliciously accused Britain of robbery of religious trusts he has collected evidence through Zeki Pasha, Minister of War, who allowed him to examine the ministerial records at Cairo. This evidence showed not only a widening area of reform in estate management, but the increased material advantages now enjoyed by ten thousand officials of all grades engaged in religious duties. The correspondent quotes figures proving this and absolutely contradicting the German lies maliciously circulated in Turkey, Persia and the Red Sea littoral.

DISORDERS IN POLAND.

London, February 17.
German papers report the outbreak of strikes at Warsaw and Lemberg. German troops are patrolling Warsaw to prevent demonstrations against the Ukraine peace. The "Cologne Gazette" says: "Our bread peace with Ukraine is endangered. Fighting with the Bolsheviks and the Reds has already compelled the latter to move to Zhitomir and the suburbs of Kiev are already in the hands of the Bolsheviks, who are rushing up troops."

NAVAL AIRCRAFT RAID.

London, February 17.
The Admiralty reports that aircraft dropped many bombs on Zuydwede dump on Saturday. A fire was started in the centre of the objective. All the machines returned.

MORE ARMENIAN ATROCITIES EXPECTED.

London, February 17.
A recurrence of the Armenian atrocities is expected. The German newspapers have recently printed official Turkish communiqués resembling those preceding earlier massacres and accusing armed Armenian bands of committing atrocities on Ottoman inhabitants. Talaat Pasha, interviewed by the "Vossische Zeitung," says the Russian troops are beginning to leave the Caucasus. A Turkish Armenian telegram to Constantinople speaks of resistance by bands of armed Armenians in Erzingan and adjoining villages being broken by Kurds, who are cleaning the Armenians out.

THREE THOUSAND GERMANS CAUGHT.

Petrograd, February 17.
A Russian guard ship captured 3,000 volunteers, proceeding by sea from Germany to Finland in order to assist the Finnish White Guard.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, February 17.
Silver is quoted at 42½. There is an absence of business.

GERMAN SLANDER.

Some Threats Against China.
The *North China Daily News* commenting on enemies in China say:—The enemy propaganda is not yet at all in China to be proved by the many wild rumours that find circulation in native circles. Only a few months ago enemy agents were busy spreading the story that, when peace was declared with Russia, the Germans would march across Siberia in force and then "what would become of poor China?" This report was given the fullest possible publicity, but apparently did little good so far as the enemy was concerned. The latest German slander is that 13,000 Chinese of the Chinese Labour Corps have been killed in France. The story, of course, is as utterly untrue as it is improbable. Considering that Germany has taken three and a half years to kill a little over 14,000 non-combatants of Western nationality, the wildness of the story is almost without parallel. A gentleman stationed in the interior tells us that the opinion is still fostered amongst the Chinese, by the Germans, that the latter are waging this war. The best answer to that sort of tale is the question put to his credulous Chinese friends by a Shanghai gentleman who merely asks them, when the next German mail will arrive in this port.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN SHANGHAI.

No Damage Done.

A strong earthquake shock was felt in Shanghai yesterday afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock says the *N. C. Daily News* of February 14. For nearly half a minute the shock was perceptible, causing many people who happened to be stationary at the time felt the effect of the disturbance. Cliffs also were stopped in some cases. During the afternoon telegraphic communication on the Great Northern Telegraph Co.'s line was interrupted between Shanghai and Hongkong, and while the cause of this has not been ascertained at the time of inquiry it is thought possible that the earthquake might be responsible. However, the Great Eastern Telegraph Co.'s lines were not affected.

The report issued by the Sino-wai Observatory shows that the tremors were first experienced at 2.9 p.m. and that at 2.12 the vibrations became very strong, and lasted for a few minutes. The tremors lasted for some time, but as all the delicate instruments were seriously affected, some were actually thrown down, it is impossible to give accurate figures. The shock was felt particularly in the western districts and as far as 40 kilometres from Shanghai. The motion was from east to west and it is thought likely, from the information available, that the strongest shock occurred 300 miles westward or south-westward of Shanghai. At Sino-wai Observatory the shock was the severest that had been experienced during the past 12 years. Objects were stopped and movable objects violently shaken for 20 seconds.

School for Stammerers.

There are 1,500 stammering children in L.O.O. elementary schools, and an experimental class in remedial exercises is to be started. Stammering children affect other children with whom they associate, says an investigating committee.

"Without Encumbrance."
Attention was recently called by the Poor Law Officers' Association to the growing practice of inserting the words "without encumbrance" in advertisements for married couples for Poor Law appointments, declaring that such restriction was objectionable at any time and in present circumstances inimical to the interests of the State. The Poor Law Unions Association, which represents Poor Law guardians, denies that the practice is growing, but adds that it entirely agrees that suitable persons should not be penalised on account of having families.

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Thursday, February 21.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.—Shareholders meeting; noon.

Saturday, February 23.
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation—Annual meeting; noon.

Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.
Performance in aid of War Charities.

Monday, Feb. 25.
Race Meeting—1st Day.
Tuesday, Feb. 26.
Race Meeting—2nd Day.
Wednesday, Feb. 27.
Race Meeting—3rd Day.

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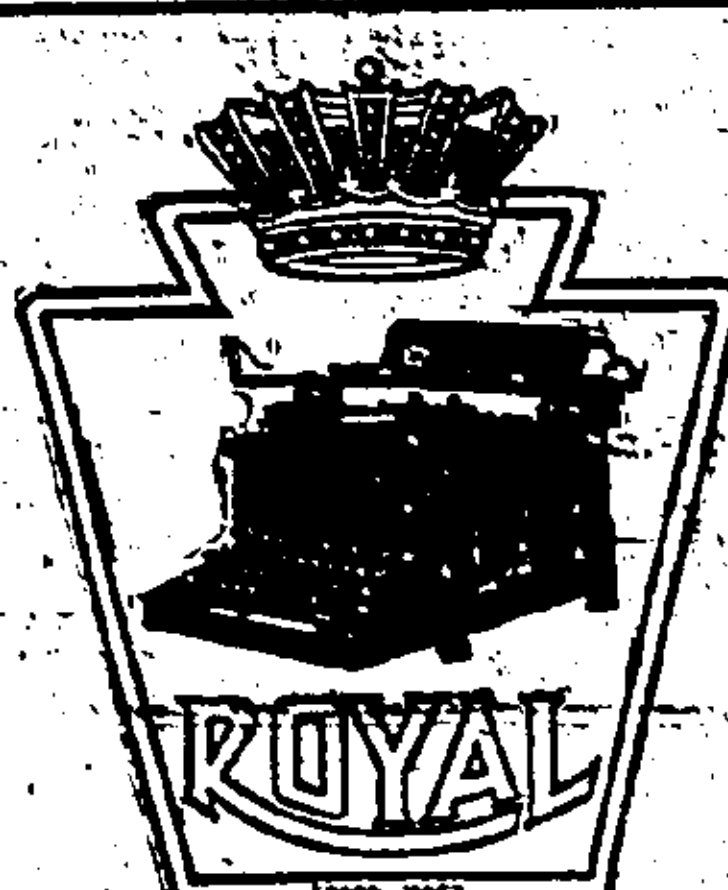
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hibition against the use of motor-

cars to convey parishioners on

Sundays to churches which are

often distant from their homes,

Mr. Wardle says that he regrets

that necessity for the almost

solemnity in the use of motor

cars precludes the possibility of

any relaxation of the regulations.

Douglas Haig, Sandbag.

A youth who gave the name of

Douglas Haig, and told the

magistrate at Bow-street that he

was only 14, pleaded guilty to

being an absentee from the North

Staffordshire Regiment, in which

he ranked as a bandboy. His

youthful appearance was consid-

ered with his stated age, but to

the policeman who arrested him

he said that when he enlisted he

stated he was 18 and now he was

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over to an escort.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Dr. Page's Next Response.
Dr. Page recently related that recently he was showing a party of U.S.A. officers over the American Officers' Club in Chesterfield, and remarked that Lord Leconfield had shown fine generosity in giving up his own residence. "Oh," said an officer, "I find that if you scratch an Englishman you find a gentleman." "I told him," said Dr. Page, "that I found the Englishman a gentleman without scratching him."

Nurse Wins Military Medal.
Miss Gladys Victoria King, a teacher of domestic science, trained at the Battersea Polytechnic Training Department for Teachers of Domestic Science, has been awarded the Military Medal for devotion to duty under shell fire. Miss King gave up a teaching appointment more than two years ago, and as a V.A.D. worker at a Queen Alexandra's Hospital in France, has rendered valuable assistance in cooking and nursing.

Warning to Makers of Bombs.
As a warning, he said, to others, Sir John Dickenson at Bow-street yesterday sentenced to six months' imprisonment Arthur Edward Brown, who was found guilty of manufacturing defective bombs. Sir E. Marshall, Bt., on behalf of the defendant, gave notice of appeal. The accused Brown was managing director of a firm of manufacturers, and it was alleged that in bombs supplied to the Ministry of Munitions varnish and cement had been used to conceal improper work.

Famous Composer's Unknown Music.
Some unknown and unpublished music by Paganini, the famous contemporary of Bach and Handel, recently came to light in London, and recently at Trinity College of Music students' concert, two movements from one of these newly discovered works was played. The music, which has been edited by Dr. Horner, is written for cello and clarinet, and ranks with much of the best of the period. The performance was given by Mr. Labell. Dr. Pearce also lectured on Bach and Paganini.

Female Sharks.
Poor people, said Mr. Banker, K.O., the magistrate at South Western Police Court, were at the mercy of female sharks, who charged enormous interest for loans. It was 400 per cent. or thereabout, and that was monstrously excessive. Poor people could not afford to go to law to have their bargains set aside, therefore the Act against usury was powerless to them. The proper thing would be to resolve that interest on loans under 10s. should not exceed 75 per cent.

Lord Riddell had an audience of 3,500 when he spoke in the Other Hall Edinburgh, recently, and it was the desire to hear him that it was found necessary to hold an overflow meeting. Lord Riddell said that if Sir Arthur Yapp succeeded in staying off compulsory rationing he would have done one of the greatest services to the British Empire that any man had done during the war. It was no good winning matters. The position had become more serious, during the last two months. They had been helping France and Italy with finance and munitions, but now they had also to help them with food. Referring to the difficulties of food control Lord Riddell said that every new Order brought them against some vested interest. He was going to ask the Government to enable him to provide cheaper milk to expectant and nursing mothers and to children up to a certain age at the cost of the State. He was going very soon to fix a price for coffee—a good deal lower than the prices during the last few days. By next month the quantity of margarine produced in this country per week would be two and a half times what it was in 1915, and there was every prospect that by next June the supplies of margarine and butter would be equal to the supplies during the war. That was something to the credit of the Food Controller.

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The sale of tickets will close in HONGKONG ON FRIDAY, THE 14TH APRIL, 1918.

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The names of the members of the Committee are:

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 21st February, 1918, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February, to THURSDAY, 21st February, 1918, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE. By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1918.

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NOTICES.
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of February, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1917.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 11th February, to SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1918, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
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Honorary Secretaries & Treasurers.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1917.

NOTICES.
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ON and after 16th February, 1918, the hours for the transaction of business by the Hongkong Savings Bank will be 10 A.M. to 12 NOON every week day except SATURDAYS.

The Savings Bank will not be open for business on SATURDAYS or on and after 16th February, 1918.

For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
N. J. STABB,
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Hongkong, 7th February, 1918.

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THE LABOUR MOVEMENT
PAST AND PRESENT.Interesting Lecture by Col.
Ward.

A large number of gentlemen were present at the City Hall last night to hear the lecture of Lieut.-Col. Ward, M. P., on "The Labour Movement, Past and Present," which was given under the auspices of the Church of England Men's Society. The Rev. Copley Moyle presided, and among those present were Sir William Beechey, K. C. Hon. Mr. Claude Savers, O. M. G., Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K. C., Mr. A. H. Harris, Professor Middleton Smith, Hon. Mr. D. Lauder, His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz, Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Mr. S. H. Dwyer and many other well-known residents.

The chairman gave a brief outline of the principles of the C.R.M.S., saying the first principle was one of service. The O.E.M.S., also implied co-operation instead of competition. He thought that in Hongkong there seemed a danger that they might follow on the lines which had been followed at home, and bring about similar troubles between capital and labour. It would be as well, therefore, if they learned from the labour movements at home how such difficulties could best be avoided. The labour difficulties here would present a somewhat different aspect because labour and capital were of different races.

A short history of the labour movement was then given by Col. Ward, who impressed upon his hearers the fact that changes had been seen to take place in Oriental countries. The movement was sometimes very sudden and was sometimes accompanied by violence. If the man at the bottom was to take a decent place in the councils of his country, and his race, he had to fight every step of the way; he had to contest all his progress with those whose business it was to maintain the institutions of general position of the country for the time being. He might mention the interesting fact that only a hundred years ago it was a criminal offence for two men to combine together to raise their wages, and another interesting fact was that the last batch of Trades Unionists who were sent from England to Australia, transported for life, did not embark until 1824.

Proceeding to deal with the Trade Union Act, Col. Ward drew attention to the collier's strike of 1893 and the railway strike of 1902, which had the effect of dislocating the industry of Britain. Arising out of the latter was a claim for damages by the Taff Vale Company against the men's Union, in spite of the fact that for 40 years Unions could not sue or be sued. It seemed to be that as soon as the Union made a nuisance of itself, according to certain people's way of thinking, steps were taken to put it down. As a result of the action the Trades Union had to pay £50,000 damages. This was the way traders had of dealing a blow to the labour problem. If this had been allowed to go on it would have sounded the death knell of the labour movement once and for all. If the trader would claim damages from a Trade Union for calling a strike the whole right of the working man to protect himself was gone. It meant that he had no right to ask for an increase in wages; it meant that he had no right to ask for better conditions of employment. A conference resulted and the workmen eventually organised themselves so that Tory or Liberal did not stand a chance in a constituency with a majority of working men unless he promised to pledge himself to reverse the law. Huge funds were collected and the movement took on a political form which was intense. They had either to do that or submit to the capitalists. He ventured to say that the enemy on the battlefield to-day was now that the English working man was not one to submit. (Applause). The policy

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Business at To-morrow's
Meeting.

The business at to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council includes amendments to the following by-laws: Scavenging and Conservancy, Disinfection of Infected Premises, Notification of Infectious Diseases and the Removal of Patients.

The Orders of the Day comprise:—
First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to repeal the Malay States Extradition Ordinance, 1903, and

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to prohibit exhibitions, publications, and advertisements of an indecent, obscene, revolting, or offensive nature.

The questions to be asked by the Hon. Mr. Pollock, K.C.; and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, are set out elsewhere.

of the working man was not one of hostility to the State. They had seen that when the State was in danger the working man had come forward to give his assistance. (Applause). It was safe to assume that when the working peoples were more educated and put forward definite, decent and well-thought out proposals for improvement, they could be sure the country would always be willing to listen to them. He asked them to remember that the Trade Unions were always trying to improve trade. It was to their advantage that a good volume of trade should be kept. He did not think they need ever fear a democracy.

At the close of the address a number of questions were put to the lecturer, amongst these being one from Mr. Justice Gompertz who mentioned the cases of some far seeing employers who had anticipated the demands of their men, mentioning as an example Henry Ford who paid his men a minimum daily wage of \$5 (gold). He asked if it could not be said that in such a case the interests of the employer and employee were identical?

Col. Ward in reply said that some employers were prepared to go further than the employed themselves. He would draw their attention to the fact that Lord Leverhulme suggested that the working day should be no more than six hours. He was one of the best employers men ever had, and he ventured to say that if all were like him there would be no need for Trade Unions. The general rule was for an employer to get as much out of his workmen as he possibly could and he was not always particular how he did it. (Laughter). The employers and workers must realise that they were citizens of a country and that one could not have his own way without injuring someone else. Until this was recognised there would always be trouble.

The Hon. Mr. Olad Savers referring to the payment of a minimum wage and profit sharing question, said that some people seemed to think that where there was a sharing of profits, there should also be a sharing of losses.

Col. Ward replied that if there was to be a sharing of losses it was safe to say that there would be a demand that there should be a share in the management of the business concerned.

In answer to a question if Col. Ward viewed with misgiving or otherwise the problem of female labour after the war, the lecturer said he did not think the problem would be so difficult as some people would have them believe. He thought that 50 per cent. of them would want to get back to their homes. He was a little old fashioned and conservative and believed that the position of the woman was in the home. (Heard, Hear). For the other 50 per cent. he thought that something else would be found for them to do.

Many other questions were asked, and replied to at length. Col. Ward in answer to a request to give a lecture at some future date on the constructive policy of the Trade Union movement, promised that he would do so.

SPOTTED FEVER.

Details of the Hongkong
Outbreak.

At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Sanitary Board, a statement as to the incidence of spotted fever (cerebro-spinal meningitis) was made by Mrs. Gale, Medical Officer of Health, who said that the total number of cases had been 77 in all. These were divided as follows: District No. 4, 11 cases; No. 5, 11 cases; No. 6, 11 cases; No. 7, 9 cases; No. 8, 8 cases; No. 2, 6 cases; No. 3, 4 cases; No. 7, 2 cases; No. 1, no cases. Total 62 for Victoria, plus 9 cases in Kowloon, 2 in the Harbour District, 2 no fixed abode, 1 Aberdeen, 1 Shaukiwan, Grand total 77. There have been 38 deaths out of the 77 cases; of these 5 were imported. Most of the latter sufferers arrived either sick or diseased and died within a few hours of arrival.

The Chairman (Mr. Carmichael) said the measures they were taking were disinfecting and sending the cases to the hospital. They were carrying out more house cleaning than usual, especially the cleaning of blocks of buildings in which cases had occurred. They were also having constructed steam atomisers. These were being constructed by the Kowloon Dock. The first would be ready to-day (Wednesday) and if it proved satisfactory they could have six in another two days so as to carry out the work of disinfection more efficiently.

The Hon. Mr. Chatham asked if the outbreak was confined to Chinese children.

The Chairman replied that there were no children affected. There seemed to be an idea that it was an infantile disease, whereas the incidence was usually between 15 and 25 years. Very few children were affected.

Mr. Chatham asked if all the cases were Chinese.

The Medical Officer of Health replied that there was one Portuguese case.

Replying to Mr. Chan Kai-ming the Medical Officer said the disease was on the increase.

La. Col. Crisp asked if anything could be done with regard to contacts and received the reply that the steam atomisers were being obtained for the purpose. Throat swabs had also been taken.

The Week's Diseases.

The return of communicable diseases for the week ending Feb. 16 showed 51 cases of cerebro spinal fever, 40 occurring in the City of Victoria, with 25 deaths. One patient was Indian and the rest Chinese. Seven cases of diphtheria (one Portuguese, rest Chinese) resulted in five deaths, and of eight cases of enteric fever reported, three proved fatal. Three British people were reported suffering this disease.

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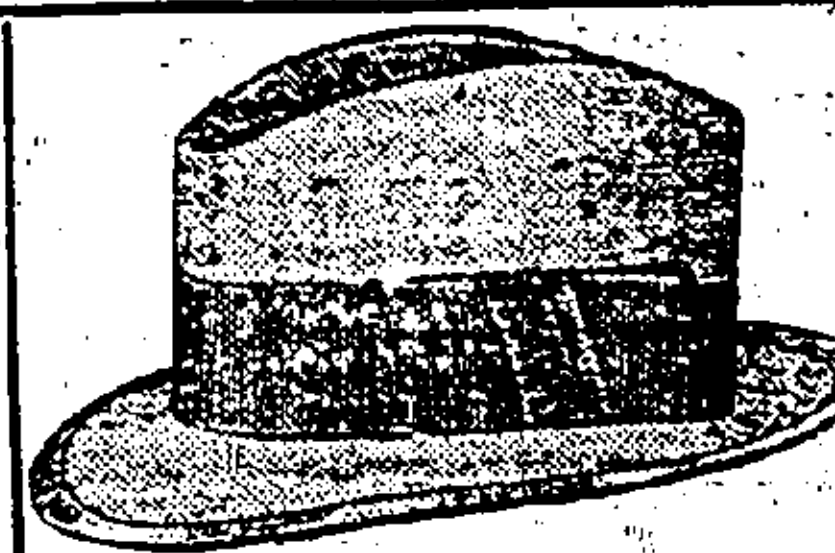


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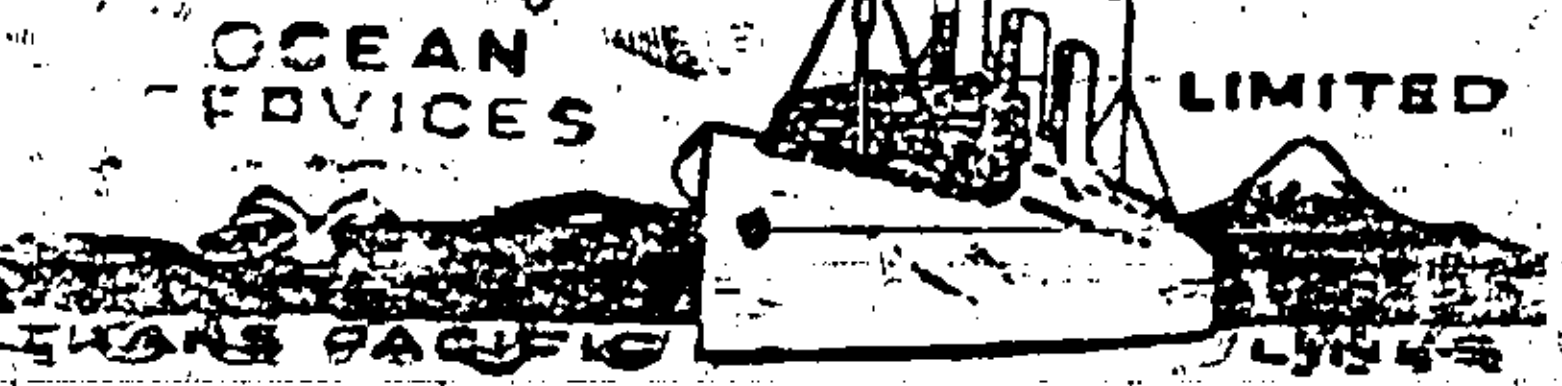
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SHIPPING NEWS.

REVUE HONGKONG

Vessel Sold.

A provisional contract has,

according to the "Japan

Chronicle," been signed for the

sale of the Assam-maru, 6,730

tons, of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha,

Kobe, to the French Government

at 264 per ton for delivery in

March or April. The shipowner

has applied to the Government

for the necessary permission.

The steamer has been under

charter by the French Govern-

ment for one year, and it is

expected that the permission will

soon be given.

Shipbuilding at Queenstown.

It is stated on reliable authority

that Messrs. Furness, Withy,

and Co., who have purchased

Bushbrooke Dock premises at

Queenstown, have decided on

developments that will involve a

large outlay. The local authority

at Queenstown has promised to

erect several hundred up-to-date

houses for the additional work-

men to be employed at the docks.

In reply to an invitation to the

ship construction and repairing

firms at Queenstown, Cork and

Passage West, issued by the

Deputy Controller for Auxiliary

Shipbuilding, three local firms

have intimated their willingness

to undertake the construction of

certain specially named small

vessels.

Government and Coasting

Steamers.

A shipping correspondent sends

us, says the "Manchester

Guardian," a communication with

the object of showing how the

Government treats the owners of

coasting steamers. In form it is

a record of a supposed conver-

sation between a Manchester

manufacturer who has preserved

his faith in Government gener-

osity and the owner of small

vessels which have all been

requisitioned for the war.

"Surely," the manufacturer says,

"the Government pay you fair

rates for your tonnage." Therein

he is mistaken. Owners of

coasters, he is told are without

"a friend at Court," even the

Controller being unfamiliar with

their needs; they are paid on a

scale which makes it impossible

to provide reserves for deprecia-

tion or rebuilding although the

boats will be dilapidated when

they are returned to the owners,

and many firms will not be able

to face the cost of surveys and

repairs. Worse still, there is a

haunting fear that the Govern-

ment are hankering after this

very unsatisfactory business, and

are getting the thin end of the

wedge in. "I declare to you,"

said the shipowner, "that if I got

the option of exchanging the

book value of my fleet into

debentures of a second-class

railway I would jump at it." But

nobody gives him the chance of

jumping. He does not say it, but

no doubt he finds that people

want to ask him whether his

profit in the first two years of

the war was 50 or 100 per cent

TO-MORROW'S COUNCIL MEETING.

QUESTIONS BY MR. POLLOCK AND MR. HOLYOAK.

Many Local Topics Dealt With.

The Agenda for to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council contains a whole list of questions which have been asked by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak. The questions concern the state of the Peak Road, better communication between Cheung Choo Island and Hongkong, the recent Gresson Street affray, the statements as to drink made by His Excellency the Governor at the opening of the Tytan Tuk Reservoir, the efficiency of the Fire Brigade and the Police. The following are the questions under their various headings:—

The Peak Road.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock will ask:—“In view of the steep portions of the Peak Road being dangerous for pedestrians, when in a slippery condition, will the Government take steps to make such steep portions less dangerous by putting ribbing across the road, or, if not, what other steps does the Government propose to adopt in the matter?”

Communication with Cheung Choo.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock will ask:—“In view of the damage done by typhoon to shipping at and near Cheung Choo Island in August last and in view of the recent damage done by fire there, will the Government state what would approximately be the cost of connecting Cheung Choo with the Island of Hongkong (a) by wireless; (b) other means?”

The Gresson Street Affray.
The Hon. Mr. Pollock will ask:—“Whether the warrant which the Police Officers set forth to execute at No. 6 Gresson Street, on January 23, 1916, was a warrant for the seizure of property stolen by armed robbers, and whether such warrant also covered the seizure of arms and/or ammunition and also whether such warrant was also a warrant for the apprehension of any, and if so, how many persons and for what offences or suspected offences?”

2.—“Whether it is a fact that the Police Officers, executing such warrant, were unarmed, and, if so, whether there is any Hongkong Police Force Rule or Regulation or instruction upon the subject of search parties of Police going armed? If not will the Government consider the advisability of making a Rule or Regulation enjoining Police, when executing a search warrant, to go armed?”

3.—“Is there any, and, if so, what Regulation in force in the Metropolitan Police Force, London, with reference to Police Officers engaged in search parties going armed?”

Subordinate Staff and Drink.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock will ask:—“Is His Excellency the Governor correctly reported as having made the following statements, in the course of his speech at the opening of the Tytan Tuk Reservoir, on the 2nd day of February, 1916:—‘It will surprise some of you people to know the terrible casualties that are inflicted upon the Civil Service of this Colony by a too free use of alcoholic beverages. I wonder how many you imagine, of the subordinate staff—concerning whom I have absolute figures—who arrive in this Colony, survive to earn their pensions. I wonder, if I were to ask the cause, what the answer would be: well, I can tell you that I am well within the mark when I say that of every two men who arrive here, whether as Policemen, or as Overseers of works such as these, Sanitary Inspectors, Revenue Officers, and so forth, there is not more than one who lives and remains in the service to earn his pension. I might add that the particular cause of the dismissal of health, and even death, of the moiety that do not earn their pension, is drink.’ If His Excellency is not correctly reported as above, what amendments require to be made in the above report?”

4.—“In view of the statements made by His Excellency the Governor at the opening of the Tytan Tuk Reservoir, on the 2nd day of February, 1916, showing as regards (i.) Policemen; (ii.) Overseers of Government works; (iii.) Sanitary Inspectors; and (iv.) Revenue Officers, how many in each of above branches of the Service respectively have (a) been dismissed owing to drink; (b) died of drink?”

The Fire Brigade.
The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak will ask:—“Will the Government state what was the strength of the Fire Brigade in pre-war days?”

2.—“What is the present strength of the regular Fire Brigade?”

3.—“How many of them are employed on police patrol and other duties?”

4.—“In what part of the Colony are they stationed and at what hours are they engaged upon these duties, especially during the night?”

5.—“How many regular firemen now reside in No. 5 Police Station (Central Fire Station) and the Central Police Station?”

6.—“Does the Government consider the ‘Volunteer’ Brigade necessary and of practical value?”

7.—“If so, will the Government arrange for the exemption of all ‘Volunteer’ fire-brigade men—whether in ‘Defence Corps’ or ‘Police Reserve,’ from all Military or Police duties, except the annual musketry course?”

8.—“In the event of a fire in an outlying district, such as Sha Tin-wan, what steps are taken to protect the central districts in case of further call?”

9.—“Is it not a fact that the Brigade is seriously understaffed and hopelessly handicapped through lack of efficient gear to deal successfully with fires in such a building as the Hongkong Hotel or one of the European office buildings in Chater Road or other high buildings?”

10.—“What is the utmost extension of the existing ladder escapes and to what height will they reach when fully extended?”

11.—“Is it not a fact that in the fire in Watson's goldown and laboratory the escapes were quite inadequate to reach the top story?”

12.—“Is it not a fact that the Central Fire Station still relies on the prehistoric custom of giving an alarm by a handbell, instead of by electric alarm as is installed in other large towns? If the latter were installed would it not lead to a quicker turn out?”

The Police Force.
The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak will ask:—“Will the Government state how many members of the European Regular Police Force have been allowed to go home since the outbreak of War in order to join the Army, and whether any of their names were submitted to the Military Service Commission?”

2.—“How do the numbers of such European Regular Police Force now on duty in the Colony compare with the numbers on duty here on the 4th of August, 1914?”

3.—“How many members of the European Police Force were allowed to leave the Colony during the year 1917?”

4.—“Is it not the fact that in the year 1916 as compared with the year 1915 there was an increase of Burglaries and Larcenies amounting to 362 in number and that such increase was to a considerable extent due to the very large influx of undesirable into the Colony owing to disturbances in the neighbouring Chinese Provinces?”

5.—“Has such influx of undesirable into the Colony continued during the year 1917, and if so, to what extent?”

6.—“What steps are taken to examine boats, launches and trains arriving in the Colony, for diseased and undesirable persons, and what measures are adopted to prevent their landing?”

7.—“In view of the serious depletion of the European Regular Police Force, will the Government take such immediate steps as may be possible during the War to increase the Force?”

8.—“Of what date and pattern are the revolvers supplied to the Regular Police Force, and are they not inferior to those used by the Naval Yard Police?”

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SOLICITOR WITHDRAWS.

Development in a Summary Court Case.

In the Summary Court yesterday before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz, a claim was heard in which Wong Kasi Shung, a comrade of 16, Queen's Road Central, sued the Wing Loong Company, coal merchants, of 60 Des Voeux Road Central, for \$960, being wages due from March 1915.

Mr. E. O. Faithfull appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the defendants.

In opening the case Mr. Faithfull said that the claim was made under a rather curious document. The plaintiff brought the defendant and a Japanese firm together for the purpose of business, he being invited to assist, at a remuneration of the \$30 a month as long as business between the parties continued.

The plaintiff went into the box and stated that he was employed as interpreter, but had not done any interpreting since March 1915.

Mr. Gardiner asked if this remuneration was to go on for life and plaintiff replied that it was to continue until the business finished.

Mr. Gardiner handed up a contract, one of the clauses for which was the payment by the defendant to the Japanese firm of a big deposit. He admitted that it was under this contract that he was to receive his remuneration and that this contract had never been put into operation.

His Lordship asked whether it was any good proceeding with the case as the plaintiff admitted that the defendant and the Japanese firm never did any business.

Replying to Mr. Faithfull plaintiff again admitted that no business passed but said that he claimed the remuneration for translating letters. Plaintiff further admitted that he had borrowed money from the defendant but had repaid it.

After this Mr. Faithfull signified that he would not proceed with the case. His Lordship then told him all the facts and then expected him to win the case.

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UNCLAIMED WAR BONDS.

[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

Sir.—I am directed by the committee of the Our Day (18th October 1917) Drawing of War Bonds to forward for publication the resolution below.

“Concerning the two prizes of the value of \$24,000 and \$500 tickets in the Drawing of War Bonds held on ‘Our Day’ last October, it was resolved, if and as long as they continue unclaimed until the 19th October 1923, that they remain in the custody of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank invested as at present in local Government 5 per cent. War Loan Bonds, or in such other manner as the Bank shall consider most beneficial to either or both of the objects in view on ‘Our Day,’ namely the British Red Cross Society and Imperial War funds; and that the Bank be authorised to pay over the capital and accrued interest to the Society on the said date.”

Yours etc.,
E. R. HALLIFAX.

Hongkong February 19.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

Sir.—Kindly allow me the use of your columns to correct a statement in your issue of Monday 18th instant.

Your representative was evidently misinformed for he reported:—“the B. H. Y. C. crew having trained for a three-quarter mile by request of the V. R. C., and the crew agreed to row the mile at the last moment, a fact which made the race all the more hard.”

The distance of the race in question, the Inter-club Race, was fixed for a mile at a meeting of the Regatta Committee, held some time previous to the Regatta.

Measrs. V. F. F. Smith and H. Northey representing the B. H. Y. C. were present at the meeting and there was no question raised, absolutely, as to the race being under a mile. The V. R. C. did not also request the B. H. Y. C. to train for a three-quarter mile race.

Apologising for intruding upon valuable space and enclosing my card.

I am,
Yours faithfully,
OLD ETONIAN.

Hongkong, February 20.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. O. Jenkin, D.S.P. (R.), state:—

Parade.

All ranks, other than those on duty on that day, will parade at Caroline Road, Causeway Bay on Friday next, February 22nd. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. in Column of Sections, facing tramway terminus, at 5.35 p.m. Uniform with helmets. “Conspicuous” will wear mushroom tops (and not spikes) with helmets.

Six trams will leave Queen's Statue (Opposite Hongkong and Shanghai Bank) at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Members will board these independently and proceed to Causeway Bay.

Trams for the return journey will leave Causeway Bay at about 6.45 p.m.

Staff Inspectors McEwen and Mackenzie will attend. Others are exempted.

Mounted section will fall in at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Helmets, chains, spikes, truncheons and belts.

Crime Reports.

All ranks are directed as far as possible to keep themselves in touch with the information posted at Headquarters Club.

Anniversary.

The Subscription Dinner arranged in connection with the above will take place at the City Hall on Saturday, March 2nd. Subscription \$2. Invitations to non-members of the Police Reserve Force may be applied for to Mr. J. H. Noronha, Credit Foncier d'Extremes Orient, Princes Building, 105 House Street. Subscription list will close on Wednesday, February 27th.

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QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLEWORK GUILD.

Report for January.

The report of the above guild for January is as follows:—

City Hall Work Party (Under Mrs. Stubb), one case was sent to the 48th Hospital Alexandria, and 3 cases sent to Bombay for Mesopotamia. For Alexandria:—10 mufflers, 1 pair of socks, 22 pillows, 26 vests, 43 bedjackets, 24 eye bandages, 2 mosquito nets, 27 abdominal belts, 4 caps, 7 dca. handkerchiefs, 37 pairs of pyjamas, 11 shrouds, 4 reversible bedjackets, 2 surgical suits, 6 gauze veils, 17 pairs of slippers, 12 tray covers, 34 milk covers, 15 head bandages, 24 scrubbers, 2 pairs of bedboots, 1 bennet. For Bombay:—5 pillows, 108 vests, 78 bedjackets, 24 eye bandages, 40 mosquito nets, 414 dca. handkerchiefs, 66 pairs of pyjamas, 15 shrouds, 6 reversible bedjackets, 5 surgical suits, 13 pairs of slippers, 38 tray covers, 12 milk covers, 9 head bandages, 20 scrubbers, 2 pairs of bedboots, 78 shirts, old linen and playing cards.

“Our Little Bit Society” (Under Mrs. Green). To Hon. Supt., Red Cross Depot, No. 2 Shed, Alexandra Dock, Bombay. Case No. 11:—805 roller bandages, 60 dca. vests, 43 white woollen belts, 91 white woollen caps, 30 pairs white woollen socks, 3 quilts, 3 pillows, 60 pairs slippers, 7 floor cloths, and 1 lot magazines. Case No. 12:—171 roller bandages, 150 suits pyjamas, and 60 dca. vests. Case No. 13:—720 roller bandages, 99 dca. vests and 82 suits dca. pyjamas. Case No. 14:—19 pairs stretcher boots, 40

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NOTICES.

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL
CO., LTD.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Hong-
kong Hotel Company Limited
will be held at the registered
office of the Company, Pedder
Street, Hongkong, on FRIDAY,
the First day of March 1918, at
12 noon, when the subjoined
resolution, which was passed at
the Extraordinary General Meet-
ing of the Company held on the
9th day of February 1918, will
be submitted for confirmation as
a special resolution.

"That the Articles of As-
sociation be altered in manner
following—

- By the deletion of the
word "twice" in the second
line and the word "Half"
in the fourth line of Ar-
ticle No. 56.
- By the deletion of the
word "Half" in the first,
seventh and last lines;
the substitution of the
word "meeting" for "meet-
ings" in the eighth line;
and the insertion of the
word "an" between the
words "at" and "ordinary"
in the seventh line, of
Article No. 61.
- By the deletion of the
word "Half" in the third
and fifth lines and the
substitution of the word
"an" for "the" in the third
and fifth lines and the
word "meeting" for "meet-
ings" in the third and
sixth lines of Article No.
62.
- By the deletion of the
word "Half" and the
substitution of the word
"meeting" for "meetings"
in the first line of Article
No. 90.
- By the deletion of the
word "Half" wherever
appearing in Article No.
93.
- That the following clause
be inserted in Article 107
after Sub clause (p) there-
of, namely, (p) a—

TO DEAL WITH RESERVE FUND.

- a. To employ the
reserve fund for the
time being or any
portion thereof in or
for all or any of the
following purposes
that is to say, in
meeting contingent
liabilities, in equalising
dividends, in paying
special dividends or
bonuses, in improv-
ing, and maintaining
any of the property of
the Company, and in or
such other purposes
as the Directors
shall in their discre-
tion think conducive
to the interests of
the Company.

- By the deletion of the
word "Half" in the fourth
line of Article No. 111.
- By the deletion of the
word "Half" in the first
line of Article No. 126.
- By the substitution of the
word "Once" for "twice"
in the first line of Article
No. 125.

Dated the 18th day of February,
1918

By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART,
Secretary.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

RACE WEEK.

DINNER DANCES will be
held on the following nights
open to resident and Diners in
the Hotel:—

MONDAY, 25th February.
TUESDAY, 26th February,
WEDNESDAY, 27th February,
and

SATURDAY 2nd March.

Table d'Hôte Menus will be
served as follows:—

GRILL ROOM \$3.50 per head
DINING ROOM \$2.50 per head.
(The Ordinary Grill Room "a
la Carte" Menu will be with-
drawn on each of the above
evenings).

The usual bi-weekly Tea
Dances WILL NOT BE HELD
on the following days:—

FRIDAY, 22nd February,
and

TUESDAY, 26th February,
but will be RESUMED on:—

FRIDAY, 1st March.
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

WEATHER REPORT.

February 20th, 11th, 20th.—No returns
from Japan, Vladivostok, Shanghai and
Indo-China. Pressure has increased con-
siderably at Weihaiwei, and slightly over
the Philippines; it has decreased slightly
at Canton, and over S. China and For-
mosa. The anticyclone appears to have
moved eastwards, but in the absence of
telegraphic returns, this lacks con-
firmation.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.
Total since January 1st 0.03 inch
against an average of 2.59 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
Hongkong to Gap Rock.	N.E. winds, moderate; fair, fog or mist.
Formosa Channel.	The same as No. 1.
South coast of China be- tween H.K. and Lamooki.	The same as No. 1.
South coast of China be- tween H.K. and Hainan.	The same as No. 1.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

February 20, a.m.									
Station.	Hour.	Baromet.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.	Direction.	Weather.	
Vietnam	6a								
Namur	5a								
Shanghai	5a								
Tokio	5a								
Kobe	5a								
Nagasaki	5a								
Yokohama	5a								
Osaka	5a								
Kyushu	5a								
Manila	5a								
Yokohama	5a								
Batavia	5a								
Soerabaya	5a								
Bandung	5a								
Calcutta	5a								
Rangoon	5a								
Bombay	5a								
Colombo	5a								
Singapore	5a								
Penang	5a								
Malacca	5a								
Sumatra	5a								
Batavia	5a								
Soerabaya	5a								
Bandung	5a								
Calcutta	5a								
Rangoon	5a								
Bombay	5a								
Colombo	5a								
Singapore	5a								
Penang	5a								
Malacca	5a								
Sumatra	5a								

C. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 20, 1918.
1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees
Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in in-
ches, tenths and hundredths.
2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees
Fahrenheit.
3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation
the humidity of air saturated with mois-
ture being 100.
4 Direction of Wind, to two points.
5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort
Scale.
State of Weather, b blue sky, c de-
tached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog,
g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p
passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow,
t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On date	On date.
Barometer	30.10	31.17	30.12
Temperature	51	53	60
Humidity	46	62	55
Wind Direction	N.E.	E.N.E.	E.S.E.
Force	4	1	4
Weather	b	o	c
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highest temp. at Hongkong on the 19th 1918	61		
Lowest temp. at Hongkong on the 19th 1918	43		
H.K. Observatory, Feb. 20, 1918.			
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.			

TIDE TABLE.

From 18th Feb. to 24th Feb.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
Mon. 18	11.15	4.15	Mon. 24	11.15	4.15
Tues. 19	11.15	4.15	Tues. 25	11.15	4.15
Wed. 20	11.15	4.15	Wed. 26	11.15	4.15
Thurs. 21	11.15	4.15	Thurs. 27	11.15	4.15
Fri. 22	11.15	4.15	Fri. 28	11.15	4.15
Sat. 23	11.15	4.15	Sat. 29	11.15	4.15
Sun. 24	11.15	4.15	Sun. 30	11.15	4.15
Mon. 25	11.15	4.15	Mon. 31	11.15	4.15

in morning, a afternoon.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL

Saturday, 25th Feb., 9.15 P.M. (punctually).
Mr. A. P. Stokes, assisted by members of the
Hongkong A.D.C., will present

"ACID DROPS"
"FIVE BIRDS IN A CAGE"
"THE REST CURE"

(by Special request).

Booking Moutries—Tickets \$3, \$2 and \$1.
Proceeds go (without any deduction) to the funds of
The Mercantile Marine in England and Naval Prisoners
of War.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

PROGRAMME FOR FEB. 19, 20, & 21, 1918.

Do not miss the continuation of
"THE GREAT SECRET."
(9th and 10th Episodes)

"Cupid's Puzzle" and "The Woman and the Game"

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NOTICES.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TACK LOONG

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Our patrons are desired to note that Mr. Li Hon Chy, also
known as Ng Sheung, who has heretofore represented this
house for the Foreign Department is no longer in our
employ and has no authority to act on our behalf in any
capacity whatsoever.

Our new partner, Mr. Fung Yiu Hing, also known as Po
Hing will represent this house hereafter.
The general management and staff except the above
change, remain the same as before and all commands or
enquiries will receive the same care and prompt attention
as in the past.

Canton February 1, 1918.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT
LOAN & MORTGAGE
CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST OR-
DINARY ANNUAL MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in
the Company will be held at the
Offices of the Company, St.
George's Buildings, No. 4 Con-
naught Road, on THURSDAY,
the 28th February, 1918, at 11.30
A.M. for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts and the
Report of the General Manager
for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1917, and electing a Consult-
ing Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of
the Company will be CLOSED
from WEDNESDAY, the 2nd
February, 1918, until THURSDAY,
the 28th February, 1918,
both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1918.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF
YEARLY MEETING OF
Shareholders will be held at the
Company's Hotel on FRIDAY,
the 1st March, 1918, at 12.15 P.M.
for the purpose of receiving
Statement of Accounts to 31st
December, 1917, with the Report
of the Directors, and discuss any
matter that may be competently
brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of
the Company will be CLOSED
from 22nd February to 1st
March, 1918, both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,
J. H. TAGGART,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1918.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT.

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER
AND SURVEYOR.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Pub-
lic Auction on
FRIDAY, the 22nd February,
1918.

commencing at 11 a.m.

at Sam Yick Godown, Yaumatei
250 tons Coal Dust.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction on

FRIDAY, the 22nd February,
1918.

commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at his Sales Rooms, Duddell
Street,
A Large Quantity of Valuable
Household Furniture

comprising:—

Tapestry covered drawing room
suite, Morocco covered dining
chairs, oak extensions on dining
table, teak sideboards, dinner
waggon, teak bookcases, tea and
card tables, large mirrors, en-
gravings, glass and cutlery,
E.P. ware, crockery, electric cell
ing and table fans, etc., etc.
Fine double brass and brass
mounted bedsteads, double and
single teak wardrobes, toilet
tables, washstands, toilet crock-
ery, etc., etc.

Also

Several typewriters (Under-
wood, Oliver, etc.)
Grand piano by Winkelmann
(in fine condition.)
Four assay scales.

The above have been removed
to Sales Rooms for convenience
of sale.

On View from Thursday, the
21st inst.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on del. very.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

POST OFFICE.

The importation into the Common-
wealth of Australia of tea, other than
that grown or produced in British Posses-
sions is prohibited, unless the consent in
writing of the Commonwealth Minister
for Trade and Customs has been first
obtained.

The Parcel Post Services to British East
Africa and Egypt (except for members
of the Expeditionary Forces), and to
Abyssinia, Bagdad, Enkhrea, French
Somali Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portu-
guese East Africa, Zanzibar and Busia
have been suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy
subjects in China, Siam, Siberia and
Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Mor-
occo cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bol-
saria and the Ottoman Empire are
suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United
Kingdom will in future be forwarded
from Hongkong in bags and the Public
are therefore advised to pack such parcels
very carefully.

Letters franked at the 4 cents rate
addressed to Yunnan and Mongolia and
other places in the Province of Yunnan
should be superscribed with the words
"For delivery by the Chinese Post Office."

Parcels for Greece cannot be accepted
for transmission unless accompanied by
a special permit issued by the British
Minister at Athens.

Arrangements have been made for the
transmission of parcels to the United
Kingdom via Canada.

The rates of postage are as follows:—
Parcel not over 3lbs... 50 cents.
Do. 7lbs... 1.80
Do. 11lbs... 2.70

No insurance can be effected on parcels
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